

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) CASE NO.: 05-228M
Plaintiff,)
v.) DETENTION ORDER
WEI PING LI,)
Defendant.)

Offense charged:

Unlawful Importation of Ecstasy; Unlawful Importation of Cocaine; Unlawful Possession
of Ephedrine

Date of Detention Hearing: May 13, 2005

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and
based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds
that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably assure
the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the community.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

(1) Defendant was arrested at the U.S./Canadian border crossing in Blaine,
Washington, together with a co-defendant. When the vehicle was searched, suspected controlled
substances, together with more than \$10,000 in undeclared United States Currency on the person

01 of the co-defendant, was allegedly found. The defendant is charged with a drug offense that
02 carries in excess of ten years in prison.

03 (2) The defendant has no ties to this District. She is currently unemployed. She
04 resides in California with her husband. Both report that they do not have a good relationship, and
05 the husband has asked for a divorce in the past. They maintain separate finances. She has six
06 siblings living in China and has traveled, most recently in early 2005. Her son is in the military and
07 resides in Japan.

08 (3) The defendant poses a risk of danger based on the nature of the instant offense.
09 She poses a risk of nonappearance due to ties to China, lack of ties to this District, her lack of
10 current employment, and the strength of the evidence.

11 (4) There does not appear to be any condition or combination of conditions that will
12 reasonably assure the defendant's appearance at future Court hearings while addressing the danger
13 to other persons or the community.

14 It is therefore ORDERED:

15 (1) Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the
16 Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent
17 practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody
18 pending appeal;

19 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with
20 counsel;

21 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the
22 Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is
23 confined shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of
24 an appearance in connection with a court proceeding; and

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01 (4) The clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to
02 counsel for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States
03 Pretrial Services Officer.

04 DATED this 13th day of May, 2005.

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06 Mary Alice Theiler
07 United States Magistrate Judge
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